



Welcome to the second edition of the Durham Centre Newsletter.

Our Newsletter includes any news articles, rally reports, messages, successes and celebrations. If anyone has anything that they would like included do get in touch.

Unfortunately Covid 19 stopped all of our rallies from March so no rally reports to share. I'm sure everyone can't wait to get in your caravan or motorhome and start to rally again.

We, like everyone else have and must continue to follow Government guide lines during these times. We must also abide by the guidance that the CMHC provided to all of its members.

Following guidance from head office that there can be no rallies in July we are hopeful that our first rally will be August 7 – 9 Bedale Camping and Caravan Club. The holiday rally at Farmer Parrs (Fleetwood) Blackpool 15 – 25 August is great value for money and we hope that permission is given for this rally to go ahead. Keep an eye on the website as we will update as soon as we hear anything.

Rallies will be different from what we have all come to know them for, having a gathering with our friends. Regrettably there will be no socials or gazebo activities held on site, we must think about the safety of our Marshals and ralliers. No visitors will be permitted on the field during the rally. Social distancing signs must be observed at all times.

For the foreseeable future all rally fees must be paid in full prior to attendance, no cash will be accepted at the rally venue. If paying by cheque make your cheque payable to 'The Caravan & Motorhome Club Durham Centre', cheques will be returned if not properly address, this is not our centre rule this is the banks request. Please also don't forget to put your name and the rally name on the back of the cheque. Likewise when paying by bank transfers your surname and the rally name as reference allows us to reconcile the payment. The Marshal will provide details once you have booked onto their rally.

On arrival at the rally site remain in your vehicle and your Marshal will show you to your pitch. Please continue to follow all guidance on the washing of hands and social distancing especially around the eslan and water tap to help contain the spread of this nasty virus.

Regrettably some rallies have had to be cancelled and this is out of the hands of the committee. This could be due to the landowner not wanting rallies this year in light of Covid 19 or not having a Marshal to run the rally and I'm sure you will all agree that we must respect the concerns of the land owners or volunteer Marshals. If anyone would like to Marshal a rally please do get in touch with our rally secretary Dave Wilson.

Our AGM will be upon us before we know it if anyone would like to put themselves forward to give something back to the centre next year and join our committee please get in touch with Barry or any member of committee for full details.

A Poem to cheer us up written by Dave Morgan: (Thanks Dave)

We`re soon about to venture out

As distance rules decline

To meet with all our friends again

For beer, or a wine

It`s good to find that we`re all safe

From following the rules

We kept our social distancing

Unlike some other fools

This virus is still dangerous

We need to be aware

It isn`t going anywhere

We really should take care

Some rallies have been sadly lost

But you all know the reason

We hope to get them back again

And see you all next season

So thank you all for holding on

We`re getting out again (*agenn*)

And going forward with our hobby

Especially me and Ben



Celebrations:



Happy Birthday to:

July

8th Emma and Simon Hanson

9th Barry Dodd

Aug

27th Muriel McKitterick

September

George Burrell

Ann Burrell

Happy Anniversary

July 12th Barry Ang

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Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this newsletter, if anyone has anything that they would like to be included in the next one please do get in touch. You can view all Durham Centre activities on our website <http://www.durhamcentre.co.uk> Bernadette Smith (Editor) – newsletter@durhamcentre.co.uk